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## **Box Patent Application**

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Presented for filing is a new continuation patent application of:

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Title: TRANSISTOR PATTERN FOR VOLTAGE REGULATOR

The prior application is assigned of record to Volterra Semiconductor, a Delaware corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and Recorded June 5, 2000 at Reel/Frame 010877/0354.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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## **Enclosures:**

- Preliminary amendment, 6 pages.
- Small entity statement from prior application. This application is entitled to small entity status.
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This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/498,297, filed February 4, 2000. The

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